



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

| APPLICATION NO. | FILING DATE | FIRST NAMED INVENTOR | ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. | CONFIRMATION NO. |
|--|-------------|----------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| 09/954,773 | 09/18/2001 | David A. Lightfoot | 1268/2/2 | 8934 |
| 25297 7590 07/20/2007 JENKINS, WILSON, TAYLOR & HUNT, P. A. SUITE 1200, UNIVERSITY TOWER 3100 TOWER BOULEVARD DURHAM, NC 27707 | | | EXAMINER KRUSE, DAVID H | |
| | | | ART UNIT 1638 | PAPER NUMBER |
| | | | MAIL DATE 07/20/2007 | DELIVERY MODE PAPER |

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****U.S. Patent and Trademark Office**

Address : COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

| APPLICATION NO./ CONTROL NO. | FILING DATE | FIRST NAMED INVENTOR / PATENT IN REEXAMINATION | ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---|---------------------|
| 09954773 | 9/18/01 | LIGHTFOOT ET AL. | 1268/2/2 |

JENKINS, WILSON, TAYLOR & HUNT, P. A.
SUITE 1200, UNIVERSITY TOWER
3100 TOWER BOULEVARD
DURHAM, NC 27707

EXAMINER

David H. Kruse

ART UNIT**PAPER**

1638

20070717

DATE MAILED:

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Commissioner for Patents

Attached is a signed copy of the IDS filed on 22 February 2002.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David H. Kruse, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (571) 272-0799. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Anne Marie Grunberg can be reached at (571) 272-0975. The central FAX number for official correspondence is 571-273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group Receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-1600.

DAVID H. KRUSE, PH.D.
PRIMARY EXAMINER

David H. Kruse, Ph.D.
17 July 2007

David H Kruse
Primary Examiner
Art Unit: 1638